

## ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A system and method is provided for transferring packet-switched data across a network. A network interface may be connected to a primary switch and a secondary switch, both of which may be connected to a network. The network interface may also  
5 convert between circuit-switched data and packet-switched data. Further, packet-switched data may be transferred between the network interface and the network across the primary switch if the primary switch is operable, and across the secondary switch if the primary switch is inoperable. The system and method may also include a selection switch, route server and controller. Additionally, the system and method may include a  
10 primary router and a secondary router. Packet-switched data may be transferred across the primary router if the primary router is operable, and across the secondary router if the primary router is inoperable.